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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Intelligence), CIA

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TALENT Control Officer, CIA/ORR

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ATTENTION:

DDI/GMTF

SUBJECT:

KEYHOLE Photographic Coverage of USSR Rail-

road System

REFERENCES:

(a) Requirement DDI/RR/E/R-41/61

(b) NPIC Project JN-215/61

- 1. This memorandum is in response to a request to determine to what extent the USSR railroad system is covered to a distance of 15 miles on both sides of the rail line by cloud-free, interpretable photography of the first four KEYHOLE missions.
- 2. The enclosed 37 WAC overlays show the sections of the USSR railroad system, * 15 miles or more in length, that are covered to a distance of 15 miles on both sides of the rail line by cloud-free, interpretable KEYHOLE photography of Missions Where there is duplicate coverage, only photography of the latest mission is indicated. No Yur'ya-type ICBM sites or other sites similar to launch pads at Tyura Tam are apparent on KEYHOLE photography of these rail sections.

FOR THE DIRECTOR, NPIC

Declassification review by NIMA/DoD

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Operations Officer

Enclosure: Portfolio of 37 WAC overlays to USAF, AFCIN-3 and CIA Requester Only.

*Railroads on Sakhalin Island and those in the Dudinka-Norilsk and Magadan areas were eliminated from this study because they are not connected to the main Soviet rail system.

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